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Docket No. 15436.436.3

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In re application of)
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Serial No.: 10/026,019) Art Unit
Confirmation No.: 6105) 2828
Filed: December 20, 2001)
For: VERTICAL CAVITY SURFACE)
EMITTING LASER INCLUDING INDIUM)
ANTIMONY AND NITROGEN IN THE)
ACTIVE REGION)
Examiner: Than M. Nguyen)

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TRANSMITTAL FOR REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

A. Enclosed

X A Preliminary Amendment for entry in the present application.

X Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection for Application Number 10/026,044.

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- X Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection for Application Number 10/026,055.
- X Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection for Application Number 10/026,016.
- X PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form includes the amount of \$330.00 to cover the fee for the three Terminal Disclaimers.
- X To render this RCE timely filed, enclosed is a Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time.
- X PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form includes the amount of \$950.00 to cover the fee for the Extension of Time.
- X A Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail" certifying a filing date for the enclosed application by use of Express Mail Label No. EV432690912US.

C. Payments

- X Form PTO-2038 submitting payment in the amount of \$2,800.00 is enclosed to cover:
 - X the \$1,520.00 RCE filing fee, including all additional independent and dependent claims;
 - X the \$330.00 fee for the three Terminal Disclaimers; and
 - X the \$950.00 petition fee for the three-month extension of time.
- X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.
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 - X Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.
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 - X Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.

X A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

Dated this 17 day of August 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment and Response in response to the Examiner's Final Office Action mailed February 17, 2004. Enclosed herewith in support of the Amendment is a Terminal Disclaimer in response to the Examiner's non-statutory double patenting rejection. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.